National centres to study natural calamities and disaster

2187. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some universities have sought financial assistance to set up national centres to study natural calamities and disaster;

(b) if so, the details thereof, university-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) The University Grants Commission (UGC) is not having any specific scheme to provide financial assistance to universities to set up national centre to study natural calamities and disaster. However, UGC provided financial assistance to five universities/colleges, for conducting courses on Disaster Management, during Tenth Plan period, under it's 'Innovative Programmes'.

Youths getting higher education

†2188. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only 8 to 10 per cent youths in the age group of 18 to 23 are getting higher education in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the efforts being made to promote higher education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) Subject to finalization of the Eleventh Plan, the Gross Entrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education is proposed to be increased to 15% by 2011-12, from the present/GER of about 10%. State-wise students enrolment in universities and colleges during the year 2005-06 is given in the Statement (*See* below).

Expansion of educational capacity by setting up new universities, colleges and other educational institutes has been proposed in the Eleventh Plan.

Statement

State-wise students enrolment in universities and colleges: 2005-2006

Sl. No	State/Union Territory	Total Enrolment	Women Enrolment	% of Women
1	2	3	4	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	911709	367172	40.27

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4	5
2	Arunachal Pradesh	6109	1843	30.17
3	Assam	225528	93594	40.50
4	Bihar	580689	142383	24.52
5	Chhattisgarh	172145	63921	37.13
6	Delhi	207967	101784	48.94
7	Goa	22277	13188	59.20
8	Gujarat	664841	296008	44.52
9	Haryana	278126	115084	41.38
10	Himachal Pradesh	104237	45756	43.90
11	Jammu and Kashmir	76678	35976	46.92
12	Jharkhand	220092	67387	30.62
13	Karnataka	108195	293525	41.45
14	Kerala	329498	201000	61.00
15	Madhya Pradesh	595736	221976	37.26
16	Maharashtra	1506702	625279	41.50
17	Manipur	40698	18376	45.15
18	Meghalaya	32319	15588	48.23
19	Mizoram	12816	5858	45.71
20	Nagaland	14053	5616	39.96
21	Orissa	386349	139154	36.02
22	Punjab	294304	152360	51.77
23	Rajasthan	408753	139224	34.06
24	Sikkim	4940	2061	41.72
25	Tamil Nadu	841755	385803	45.83
26	Tripura	22378	9228	41.24
27	Uttar Pradesh	1432815	529020	36.92
28	Uttaranchal	138617	58908	42.50
29	West Bengal	721762	284962	39.48
30	A and N Islands	2238	1268	56.66
31	Chandigarh	41537	21758	52.38
32	Lakshadweep	253	89	35.18
33	Daman and Diu	651	307	47.16
34	D and N Haveli	0	0	0.00
35	Pondicherry	21253	10892	51.25
	TOTAL:	11028020	4466348	40.50